



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

Pietras, et al.

Serial No.: 09/509,073

Confirmation No.: 5424

Filed:

August 22, 2000

For:

An Apparatus for Facilitating

the Connection of Tubulars

Using a Top Drive

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to grant a one-month extension of time to and including July 30, 2001, in which to file the Response to Office Action Dated March 29, 2001.

This form is filed in duplicate. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$110.00 and any additional fees which may be required for this submission to Deposit Account No. 20-0782/MRKS/0012/WBPA.

Respectfully submitted,

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